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Dear John

Purchase of three sites at Cambourne Business Park

I wanted to write to let you and the Town Council know that tomorrow we will be making an announcement regarding the purchase of three sites at Cambourne Business Park.

As a Council, we have agreed to purchase two sites at the Business Park. One of these, immediately next to South Cambridgeshire Hall, comprises 2.77 acres and has planning consent for 48,000 sq ft of office space. We have also purchased 3 acres of associated infrastructure land around the access road, including a car park, the marketing office and two electric car charging points.

Additionally, you may recall that we have formed an investment partnership, called South Cambridgeshire Investment Partnership (SCIP), with the house-builder Hill Group. SCIP has agreed to purchase land on the southern edge of Cambourne Business Park. This site comprises 19.2 acres of brownfield residential land to the south of the access road, opposite South Cambridgeshire Hall. It is allocated in our current adopted Local Plan for residential and employment use. It has the potential to deliver around 270 new homes, with 40% of these homes classed as affordable. This will include social housing, such as rented accommodation managed by the Council or a Housing Association. There may also possibly be some commercial space on this site. Obviously, it is early days, and any plans will be subject to planning permission.

We believe this to be a really exciting opportunity and are eager to work with the Town Council, as well as local residents and businesses, to progress plans for these new homes on the site that has been purchased by SCIP, as well as opportunities for the empty plot of land immediately next to South Cambs Hall. We want to ensure that the development compliments the needs of the local community in Cambourne and is of a high environmental



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standard. My officers will of course be in touch with you to begin these discussions at the appropriate time.

I would be grateful if you could share this with your Town Councillors. You can read further details about these purchases in our news release which we will be publishing on Wednesday at www.scambs.gov.uk/news - but I just wanted to make sure you had some advance notice.

I would be happy to answer any questions at a future meeting of Cambourne Town Council if that would be helpful.

Yours faithfully.

Bridget Smith

Cllr Bridget Smith

Leader, South Cambridgeshire District Council